IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of: H. PETER Confirmation Number: 3677

VOLLMERS, ET AL.
Application No.: 10/579,107 Group Art Unit: 1643

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Title: METHODS OF IDENTIFYING NEOPLASM-SPECIFIC ANTIBODIES AND USES

THEREOF

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 2, 2009, in connection with the above-identified application the time for responding extended to January 2, 2010, by the accompanying fee and petition, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment and remarks:

The Claims begin at page 2.

The Remarks begin at page 6.

An executed **Declaration** under 37 C.F.R. §1.132, and **Exhibit G** (Boder *et al.* (<u>Proc.</u> <u>Nat'l Acad. Sci.</u> USA 97:10701 (2000)) immediately follow this paper.

Petition for Extension of Time:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time to extend the time period for reply from December 2, 2009 to January 2, 2010. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 033975, Order No. 043043-0358637, for the requisite extension fee and any other fees due in connection with this submission.